



9. Current Situations of Schools According to Level

In SY2002, there were 8,222 schools at all levels in the Republic of China, with 273,376 full-time instructors, 5,376,947 students. On the average, there were 227 schools for every 1,000 square km of land, 239 students per 1,000 population, and 20 students per full-time instructor. Schools of each level are detailed in the following:

Kindergarten

Private kindergartens are 1.5 times as many as public ones. Preschool children in the private kindergartens are 2.2 times as many as public ones. More than ninety percent of private kindergartens are independently operated, while most public ones are affiliated with public primary schools. In SY2002, the ratio of students to teachers was 12:1.

Primary school

Most primary schools are public. Private primary schools account for only 1%. In SY2002, there were 2,627 primary schools. The ratio of students to teachers was 18:1.

Junior High school

Out of 716 junior high schools, only 12 are private, others being government-operated. Since the launching of the nine-year compulsory education in SY68, the number of junior high schools has increased dramatically. Private junior high schools are required to adopt the same curriculum as public ones. In SY2002, the ratio of students to teachers was 16:1.

The junior vocational schools ceased to admit any new students since SY68.

Senior High School

Private senior high schools are 0.8 times as many as public ones. Private junior high schools are required to adopt the same curriculum as public ones. In SY2002, the ratio of students to teachers was 19:1.

Senior Vocational School

In this category, private schools are 0.8 times as many as public ones. These schools are specialized in seven fields: agriculture, industry, business, marine products, nursing, home economics, and theatre. In SY2002, the student-teacher ratio was 18:1.

The comprehensive high school, implemented on a trial basis in SY96, offers both senior high and senior vocational curricula. As of SY2002, 151 comprehensive high schools admitted 87,374 students.

Junior College

It is the government's policy to encourage the private sectors to establish schools that the private junior colleges have increased substantially to five times the number of public ones. As of SY2002, there were 15 junior colleges admitted 57,063 students.

Furthermore, many junior college students attend the two-year technical colleges, following the two-year and five-year junior college programs.

University and College

Under this category, there are more private than public ones. The private institutions admit more students than the public ones. As of SY2002, there were 61 universities admitted 660,453 students and 78 colleges admitted 522,776 students, and there were 1,904 affiliated graduate program institutes.

Special School

There are 23 government-run special schools and 2 private ones. Among them, 4 are for the

deaf, 3 for the blind, 9 for the mentally retarded, and 9 for the physically handicapped and multi-handicapped students.

Supplementary Schools

Most supplementary schools are public. In SY2002, a total of 641 supplementary primary and junior high schools enrolled 34,979 students, 235 senior high & senior vocational continuing schools enrolled 100,159 students, 42 junior college continuing schools enrolled 69,059 students, and 33 college continuing schools enrolled 18,682

Number of Students Per Teacher at All Levels in School Year 2002 ~ 2003

	Average	Kindergarten	Primary School	Jr.High School	Sr.High School	Sr.Vocational School	Junior College	College	University	Special School
Average	19.67	11.79	18.39	16.05	19.34	18.41	20.97	19.87	20.04	3.52
Public	17.92	14.24	18.36	15.99	17.11	15.05	15.53	16.60	15.12	3.54
Private	25.32	10.92	20.74	21.22	23.12	25.56	21.34	20.96	24.94	2.81

Student/Teacher

